gauged at macro level by its growth in terms of geographical operations, stocks levels built up by procurement under Price Support operations and levy as also the role played from time to time in implementing the Food Security Schemes to the targetted groups and at the same time ensuring overall food security of the country. The following figures give the nature of growth in the activities of the Corporation :

(Figs. in lakh tonnes)

	1969-70	1995-96
1. **Procurement**		
(a) Rice	29.43	99.75
(b) Wheat	23.87	123.26
2. **Distribution**		
(a) Rice	1.06	115.01
(b) Wheat	1.59	122.25
3. **Storage Godowns**		
Capacity	47.90	264.10
4. **Movement**		
Qty. moved.	61.00	202.53
5. **Turn-Over**		
(Rs. in crores)	1265	25492
6. (a) No. of regions	14	19
(b) No. of Districts	104	173

(c) No Sir

(d) Question does not arise.

(e) Constant efforts are made to monitor the functioning of FCI with a view to ensure that it discharges its responsibilities effectively.

(f) and (g) The number of FCI officials found guilty of omissions and commissions in discharging of their responsibilities and punishment awarded is as under :

Nature of Punishment	1993	1994	1995	1996 (Upto Sept'96)
1	2	3	4	5
(i) Dismissal/removal compulsorily retired	10	8	19	17
(ii) Reduction in rank.	27	26	19	21
(iii) Reduction in time scale of pay	38	28	50	32
(iv) Withholding of increment of pay/ recovery from pay.	397	331	252	256
(v) Withholding of promotion.	1	18	23	2
(vi) Censure	190	164	91	109
	663	575	454	437

Scavengers

781. SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the progress made in the matter of emancipation of scavengers from their ages old occupation and their rehabilitation during the first six months of the current year alongwith the comparative figures for the corresponding period of the previous year and

(b) the extent to which the involvement of Sulabh Andolan has helped in the process?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) and (b). The information regarding points (a) and (b) are being collected and will be laid down on the table of the house.

Foodgrains Stock

782. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the food stock is sufficient to meet its requirement particularly of the Public Distribution System;

(b) if so, the total wheat and rice stock including buffer stock available with the each agency of the Government/State Governments at the end of October, 1996;

(c) whether this stock is more than the stock of the last year;

(d) if so, the quantity thereof, grain-wise and State-wise;

(e) the quantity of wheat and rice out of the above stock which is three years old?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a) Yes, Sir, the foodgrain stocks in the Central Pool at present are sufficient to meet the requirement of Public Distribution System.

(b) The stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool at the end of September, 1996 i.e. as on 1.10.1996 were estimated at 9.34 million tonnes of rice and 10.36 million tonnes of wheat. Statements I and II showing state-wise stock of rice and wheat held by FCI and the State Govt. Agencies for Central Pool are attached. The total